

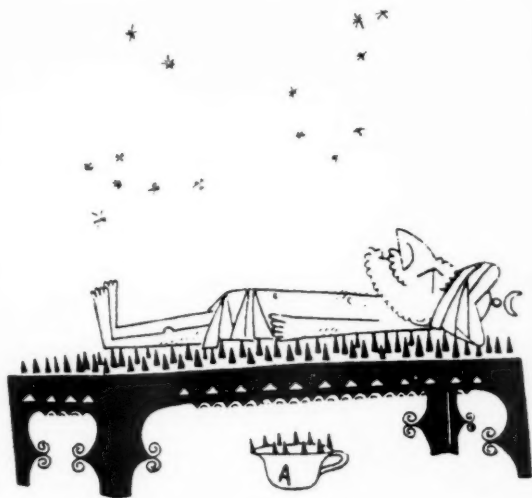
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In a Peiping dep't store last month there appeared the ultimate in headgear for the fashionable male. These fur hats, fashioned of rare sea otter, bore a price-tag of \$300 each. Since this sum represents the total income of an average Chinese worker for 14 months—and is, indeed, slightly more than the monthly income of Mao Tse-tung as head of state—there was considerable speculation as to who would, or could, buy the hotcha hats. In due course an official spokesman cleared up the mystery. This furred finery, while price-tagged, presumably for propaganda reasons, was not intended for sale. The hats were made up for presentation to visiting dignitaries.

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Inevitably, the sputnik has been pounced upon by our purveyors of mundane merchandise. A gum-ball machine now offers “Sputnik - Earth Satellite Gum” with “Official Sputnik - Watcher” buttons as prizes. And an American distiller is bringing out “Sputnik” vodka. Naturally, it will be advertised as “out of this world.”

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Our commiserations go to the Minister of the Interior of the state of Uttar Pradesh, in North

India. He recently explained to parliament that constant quarrels among the mbrs had forced him to dissolve the female contingent of the police dep't. “We can keep men from cutting off each other's heads,” said the Minister, “but when faced with a furious woman, even the gods can only stand by helplessly.”

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At a meeting of Lutheran clergy in Freemont, Ohio, the other day, slips were passed out on which the ministers were asked to note the average time spent wkly in preparation of sermons. The answers ranged from one to 24 hrs.

Reviewing the responses, Rev David Wolber, of Sandusky, Ohio, said a bit wistfully: “I do wish that ‘one-hour’ man would come up and tell us how he does it.”

No one stepped forward.

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In Concord, N H, a few wks ago, a man and his wife were held prisoner in their home for 4 hrs while 3 escaped mental patients, flourishing a stolen rifle, watched television. The program: *Have Gun, Will Travel*. . . “Modern man,” says Earl Wilson, the columnist, “drives a mortgaged car over a bond-financed highway on credit-card gas.”

may we QUOTE



you on that?

[1] Pres DWIGHT D EISENHOWER, *presenting to Congress his 4-yr, \$1.6 billion fed'l-state program for aid to education*: "This emergency program stems from nat'l need, and its fruits will bear directly on nat'l security." . . . [2] Rep SAM RAYBURN (D-Tex), House Majority Leader, *commenting on President's bill*: "It looks pretty controversial to me." . . . [3] Brig Gen HOMER A BOUSHEY, deputy director Air Force research and development: "It is inevitable that the moon could be used as a military base from which massive destruction could be rained on earth. If no agreement on internat'l control of space is achieved, then the U S must control the moon." . . . [4] Maj Gen BERNARD A SCHRIEVER, head of Air Force Ballistic Missile Div'n, *following successful tests of Thor rocket*: "By adding existing 3rd-stage hardware to the Thor and the 2nd stage, it would be possible to perform unmanned reconnaissance of the moon at a relatively early date. A slightly modified Thor, plus a high-energy fuel stage which we have been developing, can make possible initial reconnaissance of Mars and Venus." . . . [5] NIKITA S KHRUSHCHEV, Soviet Communist Party chief, *in an informal discussion of proposed summit talks*: "We've had 4 or 5 yrs of talks. Aren't you sick of them? My thought is that we should start with simple things, as in a meal where you start with zakouskis (hors d'oeuvres) then the

soup and finally the meat." . . . [6] JOHN FOSTER DULLES, Sec'y of State, at the Baghdad Conf: "The U S ardently

seeks limitation of arms on the basis of equality, but never will the U S accept the Communist thesis that men, because they are religious, must deny themselves the means to defend their religious freedom." . . . [7] F O DETWEILER, pres, Chance-Vought Aircraft: "I don't believe the 1st users of gunpowder let their spears get rusty. I hope we do not become overoptimistic, timewise, about our coming generation of ballistic missiles. It could hurt our nat'l security." . . . [8] Dr LAURENCE H SNYDER, pres, American Ass'n for Advancement of Science: "I think that if Congress would supply money to the universities with no strings attached, they could find the best way to train scientists and improve science." . . . [9] ROB'T SARNOFF, pres, NBC, *testifying before Congressional committee*: "Pay tv can succeed only by cannibalizing free tv." . . . [10] Dr LOIS L HIGGINS, Chicago criminologist: "The age of delinquents keeps getting younger. I've seen it in Europe, in Asia, and it's certainly true in the U S. One solution might be to employ more women police. They have the right touch with children."

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moving finger



Around the turn of the century a lumber company in N Carolina set up power lines which cut across a small corner of property owned by a neighboring farmer. The farmer promptly dispatched a hot letter ordering the immediate removal of the wires. In due course the gen'l mgr of the company responded: "Dear Sir: In ans'r to yours of 27th ult, would say we are under the impression the atmosphere above your property is controlled by God Almighty & Son. If you have made special arrangements with these parties to contrary, kindly advise."

This vexing problem of who owns the air is again with us. As early as last Dec, Sir Leslie Munro, of New Zealand, as pres of the Gen'l Assembly, declared the UN would have to deal with the control of outer space before the '58 session. "The time to move is now," says Secy Dulles.

A suggestion comes from Dr Andrew Haley, pres, Internat'l Astronautical Fed'n. He proposes that nat'l sovereignty over "air space"

be terminated at 52 mi's up; the area beyond to be termed outer space, open to world navigation under rules comparable to those that now apply to the seas.

A related problem involves solid surfaces in space. The Man in the Moon is giving way to a consideration of man on the moon—the future of our collective species in a new realm.

Tho it may prove to be a rather barren hunk of real estate, the strategic value of the moon transcends human comprehension. Who shall say what mineral treasures it may release? And in a future space war it might be a decisive factor.

So, who will hold coveted property rights? Will the 1st nation to land a rocket on the moon's surface claim title? Or will that distinction go to the 1st explorer; the 1st permanent settlement? Shall it be held in perpetuity for mankind's astral adventures?

Distant questions? Perhaps. But as Dr Haley pleads, "Let's not carry the fatal errors of the last 10,000 yrs into space. Man must not corrupt space as the world has been corrupted by his ineptitude."



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"He who never quotes, is never quoted"

Charles Haddon Spurgeon



ACTION—1

No statue was ever erected to the memory of a man or woman who thought it was best to let well enough alone. — *Watchman-Examiner*.

BELIEF—2

The cynic has ans'd that life is a comedy to him who thinks, and a tragedy to him who feels. The religious man answers that it is a victory for him who believes.—J S WHALE, *Christian Doctrine* (Macmillan Co).

BIBLE—3

If you carry the Bible while you are young, it will carry you when you are old.—*Survey Bulletin*.

BROTHERHOOD—4

No man can believe in the brotherhood of man and be comfortable. . . It is a doctrine that takes away all our cushions and leaves us with a cross.—STUDDERT-KENNEDY, English minister.

CHILD—Discipline—5

Our neighborhood philosopher, on the subject of balancing "yes" and "no" to children: "During the 1st ten yrs of a child's life, to keep him from killing himself, say 'No!' to everything; the next ten yrs, to keep him from killing you, say 'Yes!' to everything." — MARCELENE COX, *Ladies' Home Jnl*.

CHILD—Guidance—6

A Chinese philosopher was once asked what the most satisfying experience had been in his long life. After thoughtful deliberation he repl'd, "I chanced to meet one day a small boy who was crying. A short conversation with the lad revealed he was lost. To the best of my ability I tried to tell him the way. Whereupon he went down the road singing."—Dr RODNEY W EVERHART, Central Michigan College, "Why Not Teach Children Semantics?" *Elementary English*, 12-'57.

CHILDREN—7

Paradox: many parents expect things of their children that their parents in turn had expected (in vain) of them. — SABINE SANDERS, *Ihre Freundin*, Karlsruhe (QUOTE translation).

CIVILIZATION—8

Alcoholism and race consciousness are two conspicuous sources of danger to Western civilization. A mixture of atheism, materialism, socialism, and alcoholism have been the cause of the decline and decay of nineteen out of twenty-one civilizations.—ARNOLD J TOYNBEE, *Civilization on Trial* (Oxford Univ Press).

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washington

By Les & Liz
Carpenter



Sen John J Williams (R-Del) has rec'd what he terms "the finest tribute my grandchildren could pay me." The kids, it seems, have been knocking on neighbors' doors to recite a carefully-prepared speech: "If you plan to vote in '60, please vote against our grandfather; we want him to stay home with us!"

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The State Dep't is giving serious consideration to a requirement that all passport photos in future shall be in color. Identification is easier with colored prints.

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When Valentin Ivanov, 1st sec'y of the Russian Embassy, appeared headed for the championship of the Nat'l Press Club's chess tournament, some mbrs wanted to call in one of Washington's best chess players—Sec'y of State John Foster Dulles—to save the victory for the U S. But when an informal inquiry was sent thru channels, he repl'd that he was too busy playing other games with the Russians!

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But Dulles did get around to the Nat'l Press Club the other day to make a major for'gn-policy speech. Introducing him, club pres Ben Grant said: "... the post of Secretary of State is very difficult one at best, but Mr Dulles has never known the job at best."

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CIVILIZATION—9

Civilization is not primarily machines and bldgs and the mat'l things around us, important as these may be. Civilization is states of mind. The more good states of mind one has the more civilized he is.—JOY ELMER MORGAN, "Importance of Poetry in Our Schools," *Pennsylvania School Jnl*, 1-'58.

COMMUNISM—10

To combat world Communism we must be prepared to wage three types of war: Total war, limited war and religious war.—WELDON O RAMEY, ass't prof, Univ of Mo, "Christianity or Communism?" *Vital Speeches*, 1-1-'58.

DEFENSE—11

A 4th-grader in Missouri, her teacher writes us, is "very unhappy about the American satellite situation." The girl brought to school a Christmas toy catalog sent out by a dep't store and pointed disparagingly to an ad. "When will the American people," demanded this 9-yr-old, "quit making toy satellites and start making real ones?"

She handed her bankbook, showing deposits totaling \$176.33 to her teacher, with this question: "How can I send my money to the gov't so it can speed up our missiles program?"—MILDRED S FENNER, editor, *NEA JNL*.

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The security of our country involves much more than defending a piece of valuable real estate, complete with bldgs and servants. In the next 20 yrs, the front line of that struggle will run thru every classroom in America.—WM G CARR, Exec Sec'y, Nat'l Education Ass'n, "Expanded Horizons During the Next Twenty Yrs," *Wisconsin Jnl of Education*, 1-'58.



mining the magazines

Since '52 the Soviet Union has maintained the All-Union Inst of Scientific & Technical Information, where 2,300 full-time and 20,000 part-time employes are engaged in translating and distributing data gleaned from the world press.

Taking belated cognizance of this effort, the U S Gov't thru its Nat'l Science Foundation, will henceforth step up the translation of Soviet documents.

There is also an interesting development by a private source. Some 15 Russian scientific jnls are now being made available in English translation by a N Y publisher. For a list and detailed information write Pergamon Press, Inc, 122 E 55th St, New York 22, N Y.

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Doubleday is just getting into a new venture, rather hard to define. The product is called *Headline Publications*; the resulting volumes are a sort of hybrid book-magazine. They are to be issued at monthly intervals, sold on newsstands rather than by subscription. In format the paper-back volume (around 100 pages) resembles a news magazine. The entire issue, however, is devoted to one timely theme. The Jan *Headline* is "The Challenge of the Sputniks." Feb will deal with "Inflation and Recession."

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Quite a bit of discussion in Europe these days over an article in *The Practitioner*, a medical jnl, by Dr Hugh Joseph L'Etang, British

Spring has ever been one of our favorite seasons, but this yr we await with uncommon eagerness the blossoming of March magazines on our neighboring newsstand. Our eagerness is based on the testimony of an att'y for *Confidential* magazine.

"Beginning with the March issue," the barrister recently told a N J court, "*Confidential* will be similar in content to *The Saturday Evening Post*."

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physician. Dr L'Etang asserts that the efficiency of Pres Eisenhower, former Prime Minister Anthony Eden and other statesmen has been "significantly" affected by ill health; suggests that this might be a fruitful area for investigation by the professional historian and inquiring clinician.

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Elvis Presley gets a strong boost from Dr Jas Baxter, prof of Psychiatry, Cornell Univ, and his wife, Annette, Barnard Univ instructor, in *Harper's* (Jan). In an article, "The Man in the Blue Suede Shoes," the Baxters assert Presley is more than just a sex symbol for the young. He meets their deepest emotional needs and "parents who can't understand this have run out of dreams."

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DEMOCRACY—Dictatorship—12

A dictatorship requires only a few smart and imaginative people at the helm. In a democracy we need an imaginative spirit in the public, for it is the public which limits or stimulates and otherwise controls what is done at the top.—**D KENNETH WINEBRENNER**, editorial, *School Arts*.

DISCUSSION—13

It is better to stir up a question without deciding it than to decide it without stirring it up.—**J JOUBERT**, *Education Digest*.

DRINK—Drinking—14

Alcoholism is the billion-dollar hangover. It costs business and industry more than a billion dollars a yr in absenteeism and labor turnover alone.—**Dr HAROLD W LOVELL**, pres, Nat'l Council on Alcoholism, Inc.

ECONOMICS—15

An expert in economics is a man who knows tomorrow why the things he said yesterday didn't happen today.—*Tit-Bits*, London.

EDUCATION—16

The American worker is better educated than ever before. A survey taken last March found that the average worker had completed 11.8 yrs of schooling, compared with 9.3 in '40.—*Census Bureau Report*.

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The fruit of education is intelligence in action. The aim is mastery of life. — Report of the Harvard Comm, *General Education in a Free Society* (Harvard Univ Press).

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EMPLOYMENT—17

A century ago 4 out of 5 of the nation's breadwinners were their own bosses. Today, 4 out of 5 work for someone else. In fact, the families of the employees of America's 500 biggest corp'ns today probably outnumber the entire population of 1860.—*This Is DuPont*, hm, DuPont Industries.

Quote scrap book

No man before **MICHEL DE MONTAIGNE** (born Feb 28, 1533) had in any real sense essayed the essay. We present here a few excerpts from his several books that have survived the centuries:

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Nothing is so firmly believed as what we least know.

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Man is certainly stark mad; he cannot make a worm, and yet he will be making gods by the dozen.

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I speak truth, not so much as I would, but as much as I dare; and I dare a little the more, as I grow older.

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Sits he on never so high a throne, a man still sits on his bottom.

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EXPERIENCE—18

Experience is that accumulated body of practical wisdom that enables us to have handy, whenever we are offered an unpleasant task, a completely logical reason for not doing it. — **P J HOFF**, *Minneapolis Tribune*.

GOD—and Man—19

Used to be you'd roll out of bed with a "Good morning, Lord." Now it's usually, "Good Lord! Morning."
—*Flow Line*, hm, Rockwell Mfg Co.

HEALTH—Mental—20

Mental health is not measured by earning capacity, but by happiness capacity.—HENRY A DAVIDSON, M D, *New England Jnl of Medicine*.

IDEALS—21

A nation lives by its poetry and its scriptures. These are the carriers of its ideals—the strong golden threads of the continuous fabric of civilization, which goes down in confusion and chaos when these threads break.—JOY ELMER MORGAN, "Importance of Poetry in Our Schools," *Pennsylvania School Jnl*.

INDIVIDUAL—Liberty—22

The whole problem of individual liberty must be thought out afresh. Individual liberty in material things is no longer possible. We must find ways of securing mental liberty in spite of material control by organizations. The Soviet system is bad because it is militaristic, despotic, and cruel, but central organizations, under democratic control, are now necessary.—BERTRAND RUSSELL, British mathematician and philosopher.

JUVENILE DELINQUENCY—23

Most of our delinquents are boys. Of over 300,000 juvenile-delinquency cases disposed of in 41 states, less than 60,000 involved girls. A son is 4 times more likely to get in trouble than a daughter. . . (Yet) above all things, mothers and fathers want their girls to be "feminine" and their boys "masculine." A son who never gets into trouble

or is regarded as teacher's pet is a cause for worry. Let him show a mild interest in poetry or ballet, and worry changes to panic. Most parents would rather struggle with a son who is a neighborhood terror than cope with one who is something of a sissy. As one psychiatrist put it, "They prefer Huckleberry Finn to Little Lord Fauntleroy."—JHAN & JUNE ROBBINS, "Why Girls Are So Good," *Popular Science*.

LANGUAGE—24

The same word may have quite different meanings to different hearers. This is not surprising when you realize that the 500 most commonly used words in English have 14,070 dictionary meanings!

In *The 2nd World War*, Winston Churchill tells of a long argument in a meeting of British and American Chiefs of Staff Committee. The British brought in a memo on an important point and proposed to "table" it—which to them meant to discuss it right away. The Americans protested the matter must not be tabled, and the debate grew quite hot before the participants realized they all wanted the same thing. — LYDIA STRONG, "Do You Know How to Listen?" *Supervisory Mgt*.

LEISURE—25

Spare time isn't leisure until the individual finds a way to work spare time into his own design for living. Until that moment, it may be sheer idleness, or it may be exploited by someone else, but it is not his leisure.—EDW L THORNDIKE, *Chicago Schools Jnl*.

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Samuel Pepys, Esq.

Charles Collins once said that a knowledge of the writings of Sam'l Pepys is a fundamental requirement for the columnist.

The secret diary of a gov't clerk born 325 yrs ago (Feb 23, 1633) is a scandalously entertaining volume. Pepys rose "by diligence, competence and a lively sense of the main chance" to become Sec'y of the Admiralty under Chas II. Of his astonishingly frank diary, VINCENT STARRETT writes in Chicago Tribune Magazine of Books:

What trivia! His debts, his drunkenness, his gluttony, his loves and losses, his failing eyesight, his kidney stones, and his perpetual troubles with his wife! But he was a scholar, too, who accumulated a private library of 3,000 volumes, left to Magdalene College, together with the mss of his diary.

The world came close to losing the great *Diary*, for it was in a queer cipher that was not translated and published until 1825. Was it his intention to suppress it, or did he hope that some day it would be discovered, interpreted, and become his monument? Certainly immediate publicity was not his object (in which he differs from later columnists and paragraphs). I think he had an eye cocked at Posterity—and if this be the case, he has not ogled the wench in vain.

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LIFE—Living—26

A great columnist refused to attend a reunion of his college class: "I refuse to eat with dead men. When they were young students, each a bundle of potentialities, they were strong in the will to strive, to seek, to find, and not to yield. They were full of life — yet they died quietly. And in their place has come earthbound complacency." He could not make merry at a table where he would have to look at lives that were graveyards of high expectations.—ISRAEL CHODOS, Rabbi of Sinai Temple, Los Angeles, "The Quest for Self-Fulfillment," *New Outlook*, 12-'57.

MANNERS—27

A teen-ager, having just completed a church-sponsored class on etiquette and manners, remarked, "I can't wait to see the expression on daddy's face when I get up as mother's friends come into the room, while he just lies there on his spine." — MILLICENT TRALLE, "Why Not Teach Manners in Church?" *Church Mgt*, 1-'58.

MARRIAGE—28

A man's wife may not be the only woman he ever loved, but she's the only woman who ever made him prove it.—*Pacific Oil-Motive Mag.*

MODERN AGE—29

We find ourselves, at mid-century, in a world that is like a drum: strike it anywhere and it resounds everywhere. — *Phi Delta Kappan*.

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We have been asleep on the stage, unaware that the stage hands were shifting the scenery. But this new era is not just another act; it's a whole new show! — *Management Briefs*.

....pathways to the past.....



Nat'l 4-H Club Wk (Mar 1-8)

Nat'l Home-Improvement Month (Mar)

Red Cross Mbrship Campaign (Mar)

Feb 23—325th anniv (1633) b of Sam'l Pepys, English public official; author of "most famous diary in the English language." (see GEM Box).

Feb 24—*Feast of St Matthias*. . . 155 yrs ago (1803) Chief Justice Marshal, writing in the case of *Marbury vs Madison*, handed down a decision that still profoundly affects the cause of justice in U S: "The Supreme Ct shall have the power to declare invalid any Act of Congress which, in the opinion of the Ct, is unconstitutional". . . This is the 90th anniv (1868) of the beginning of the only impeachment proceedings ever instituted against a president of the U S. The House of Representatives resolved to impeach Pres Andrew Johnson for "high crimes and misdemeanors." (Specifically, because Johnson dismissed Sec'y of War Stanton and, it was alleged, declared several laws unconstitutional.) The President was acquitted (May 26, 1868), the impeachment forces losing by a single vote. . . Commercial manufacture of Nylon began 20 yrs ago (1938).

Feb 25—When the heads of various gov't dep'ts met with Pres Washington in his home 165 yrs ago (1793) there was held the 1st

recorded meeting of a president's Cabinet. . . 95th anniv (1863) signing by Pres Lincoln of Nat'l Bank Act, permitting banks to issue circulating notes based on bobnds. . . 85th anniv (1873) b of Enrico Caruso, Italian singer, regarded by many as world's greatest tenor (d, 1921). . . 50th anniv (1908) opening of tunnel under Hudson River (N Y C to Jersey City). . . 10 yrs ago (1948) Communists seized complete control of Czechoslovakia in bloodless *coup d'etat*.

Feb 26—*Ember Day* (also 28th & Mar 1).

Feb 27—110th anniv (1848) b of Dame Ellen Terry, English Shakespearean actress.

Feb 28—*Bachelor's Day*. . . 425th anniv (1533) b of Michel Eyquem, Seigneur de Montaigne, French philosopher; originator of essay form. . . 25th anniv (1933) burning of German Reichstag in Berlin.

Mar 1—*St David's Day*. . . 110th anniv (1848) b of Augustus Saint-Gaudens, Irish-born American sculptor. . . 85 yrs ago (1873) E Remington & Sons, Ilion, N Y, signed contract to manufacture 1st practical typewriter, invented by Christopher L Sholes, who coined word "type-writer."

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NUCLEAR AGE—30

If, in 1939, the atomic bomb development had been left to private industry, America would have had her 1st atomic bomb after, and not 4 yrs before, Russia.—EUGENE RABINOWITCH, "After Missiles and Satellites, What?" *Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists*, 12-57.

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Many scientists have quit wondering how old the earth is and have begun pondering how much older it will get.—*Grit*.

PERFECTION—31

Perfection is not attained at that point at which nothing can be added, but at that point at which nothing can be taken away.—BUD WILKINSON, Univ of Okla coach.

POPULATION—World—32

The world has gained 25 independent nations and more than 500 million people since 1941, making a total of 103 countries and a population rapidly approaching 3 billion. Most of the increase in population has been in Asia, which has all but 6 of the new "states." The 25 "states" have about half of the world's population. — *Survey Bulletin*.

PRESENT—Future—33

Even the U S Constitution must be re-studied in terms of basic realities with which we apparently will have to live for yrs to come.—WM J BRENNAN, Jr, Associate Justice U S Supreme Ct, addressing Associated Univ of Penna Clubs Conference in Cleveland.

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PROBLEMS—34

Turn over a new leaf and you find a new problem. — ARNOLD H GLASOW.

PROSPERITY—35

To have national prosperity we must spend; but to have individual prosperity we must save — which clears up everything.—*Banking*.

RACE—Relations—36

Of course the white and colored races differ in many ways besides the color of skin. But who can say that these distinguishing traits entitle either race to a claim of superiority? The squirrel may not be able to carry a forest on its back, as Emerson once pointed out, "but neither can the mountain crack a nut. Then why should they look disparagingly upon each other?"—"All Men Are Brothers," *Link*.

RECESSION—37

We didn't realize how bad things were until we saw this sign in the window of a drugstore in downtown Washington: "Imported hara-kiri knives, 98c and up." — *Changing Times*.

SAFETY—Safe Driving—38

Friend of ours just back from Lambert field, a military air base at St Louis, rep'ts that the pilots, flying supersonic missions with loaded guns in close formation at high altitude, are confronted with this warning sign after they land and are driving off the base:

You Are Now Entering a Danger Zone

The Public Highway

Good Luck!—*Milwaukee Jnl*.

SALESMANSHIP—39

The difference between "out selling" and "out-selling" is just a little dash!—S S BIDDLE.



Tempo of the Times

In 16,078,000,000 yrs the world will come to a dead stop. We have this solemn assurance from Dr Louis Essen, of the Nat'l Physical Lab's, Teddington, Eng, who has been making calculations with an atomic clock adjusted to an incredible accuracy of one ten-thousandth of a second.

Dr Essen finds days one-thousandth of a second longer than they were 2 yrs ago. Previous calculations, based on astronomical measurements, had led to the belief that this degree of variation would have required a century. On the new basis, therefore, the world will come 783,922,000,000 yrs sooner than anticipated to a point where, like the moon, it will always show the same face to the sun. This means that countries on the sunny side will have perpetual daylight, while those on the other side remain in darkness.

The world's only other atomic clock (not yet so accurately adjusted) is in Washington.

There is a proposal that a pair of highly accurate atomic clocks be developed; one to be put aboard a satellite while the other remains at home base as a check. The purpose of this interesting experiment would be to put to a conclusive test the "clock paradox" that has intrigued scientists for many yrs.

According to the Lorentz transformations of Einstein's special theory of relativity, time is modified for speeding objects. Thus an

accurate clock, whirling at a speed of 18,000 mph, should show a different time from that of an identical clock on earth. The implications of this theory, if proved, are literally incalculable.

This brings up the "twin-brother" postulation with which men of science have dallied since the advent of the time-modification theory. In this assumption, a 20-year-old man journeys at light-speed to the star Sirius, leaving his twin at home. Returning he would, some scientists contend, find his brother aged 38, while he, himself, would be under 25. At this point biologists enter the argument to assert that aging is a process independent of time; that the 2 men would be biologically of comparable age regardless of time variations.

In any case no early solution of the "clock paradox" is indicated. At the moment we don't even have an available satellite! Moreover, the atomic clocks would have to be adjusted to an accuracy far beyond anything yet achieved—something in the range of one millionth of a second.

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SCIENCE—Security—40

Dr Lloyd V Berkner, geophysicist and radar pioneer, has testified that "The concept of invention only comes after you have the information. . . The laws of mechanics and the concepts of space and time derived from astronomy, together with the work of Planck on high-temperature radiation, led Einstein to postulate the equivalence of mass and energy," on which is based development of nuclear energy. "Yet today," he added sadly, "any intelligent military organization, operating under present security rules, would certainly classify the equivalent of Planck's work so that it would be denied to a potential Einstein."—WM S FAIRFIELD, "The High Cost of Scientific Secrecy," *Reporter*, 1-9-'58.

SEGREGATION—41

Pupils in Cannon School, in rural Lincoln County, Oregon, were recently divided for one day, according to the color of their eyes. Children with blue or hazel eyes were permitted to use the classroom drinking fountain; brown-eyed children were told to use the basement fountain. The 2 groups were not permitted to talk to each other all day.

The kids had a lot of fun playing the game. But they also learned about the gloomier aspects of discrimination.—*Portland Oregonian*.

SEXES—42

A man should never judge by appearances. A woman who looks like a dumb blonde may really be a bright brunette.—*Nat'l Safety News*.

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SPEECH—Speaking—43

"Each of us here," the speaker began, "has a job to do in this hr. Mine is to talk and yours is to listen. My hope is that you will not finish your job before I finish mine."—Chaplain CARL W MCGEEHON, Maxwell Air Force Base, in *Chaplain*.

SUCCESS—Failure—44

Failure is a far better teacher than success, but she hardly ever finds any apples on her desk.—*Nuggets*, hm, Barnes-Ross Co.

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The great question is not whether you have failed, but whether you are content with failure.—*Tit-Bits*, London.

TEACHERS—Teaching—45

When a man becomes content with what he already knows, he ceases to be a good teacher. He cannot communicate the excitement of learning because for him the excitement has ceased to exist. Research is the lifeblood of intellectual pursuits.—LEONARD H AXE, *Educational Leadership*.

TELEVISION—46

Intercontinental television between N America and Europe has been termed "an inevitable development within the next few yrs" by Wm S Halstead, pioneer planner in this field. This could be done without water-based relays, he says, by following a northern island chain in which the greatest distance between land masses would be 290 mi's. Experiments with a new method of radio-wave transmission has shown that transmission over several hundred mi's is possible without relays. — *Advertiser's Digest*.

UNDERSTANDING—47

A woman bought eggs and butter from a farmer who had a fine reputation not only for the quality of his products, but also for his promptness of delivery. Then one day, when she was expecting guests, he failed to come. On the next delivery she spoke harshly to him. At the end of her tirade he said quietly, "I'm sorry if I caused you any inconvenience, but I had the misfortune of burying my mother yesterday."

Ashamed, the woman determined never to speak harshly to anyone again until she fully understood the cause of the delay.—Rev A PURNELL BAILEY, "Bread of Life," *Grit*.

WORK—48

When a man works like a horse, everybody tries to ride him.—*Royal Neighbor*.

WORLD RELATIONS—49

The Russians are spending \$113 million to jam American broadcasts beamed to pierce the iron curtain. The entire budget for the *Voice of America* is only \$17 million—and that is for broadcasts in 43 languages.—ROBERT E BUTTON, U S Director, *Voice of America*, addressing Cleveland Bar Ass'n.

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Today there seems to be no defense in bldg bigger bombs, longer range missiles, and higher and thicker Maginot lines. There is no, or little, defense against man-made monsters of destruction. . . We have but one defense left; international neighborliness, or goodwill, that produces international understanding.—Dr JOHN LEMBACH, Univ of Md, "Art Education and International Understanding," *Art Education*, 11-'57.

YOUTH—50

Teresa Hooley, the British poetess, recently warned a group of schoolgirls to beware of the "Seven C's" which she listed as follows: "Clothes, cinemas, cigarets, crooning, chocolate, candlelight and chaps."—*Tit-Bits*, London.

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If the younger generation does not know where it is going, it must be following in its father's footsteps.—*World Digest*.

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When I try too hard,
With an air that's gay,
To delude myself
That I feel that way,
Myself proceeds
To remind me breezily
That I'm not one
To delude that easily!

MAY RICHSTONE.

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YOUTH—52

I do not believe that childhood is the best time of one's life, any more than I believe that being a tadpole is the choicest thing about being a frog. So, my advice to youth is to chop off your childhood, and do it fast.

The world you are about to enter is hungry for adult minds. You are now as clever as you will ever be. Your minds are working just as well from a mechanical point of view as they ever shall. There is no longer any danger of straining your brains if you make full use of them. — JENKIN LLOYD JONES, editor, *Tulsa Tribune*, addressing students of Tulsa Central High School.

Quote

GOOD STORIES

you can use...

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I Laughed At This One

ERNEST BLEVINS

Waiting in line to buy tickets for a performance of the St Louis Symphony Orchestra, I noticed a boy about 12 doing a rushing business selling corsages.

As I joined my wife the young salesman approached: "Gardenia for your girl-friend, sir?"

"What made you think she's my girl-friend?" I asked as I dug into my pocket for the money.

"Oh, I didn't, really," he confessed candidly. "I always say that to older people." He lowered his voice confidentially. "And when I see a couple of kids I know aren't married, I say 'How about a gardenia for your wife?' It doesn't make sense—but it's good business!"

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A traveller of our acquaintance who recently arrived home on the *Britannic* tells us that in the ship's bar he frequently sat near an elegant elderly lady, who dearly loved her cocktails. He was interested in her method of ordering them. "I should like a Martini, Steward," she would say, invariably, "and be sure it is good and weak—without vermouth, you know."—*New Yorker*.

I've just come across an amusing bit of stage history. When the Marx Bros made their English debut at the London Coliseum they were a flop. Groucho's gags only made the audience whistle. He retreated into the wings, muttering: "They must know *some* language, but what the h— is it?"

When he tried again to "get across" there came the worst sound any artist can hear; the ring of pennies being thrown on the stage.

This was too much. He went to the footlights, held up his hand. "Friends," he said, "we have come a long way. The trip's been expensive. Would you mind throwing a little silver?"—**FELIX BARKER**, *The House that Stoll Built* (Muller, England).

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We knew the eminent lady surgeon as an imperious, aloof type of person, but were very surprised when she left her husband.

He was suffering from a serious internal complaint and had undergone a series of difficult operations at the hands of a team of other eminent surgeons.

She left him after the 5th operation.

"I'm heartily sick," she explained, "of other people constantly opening my male." — *Digest of World Reading*, Melbourne, Australia.

Quote

.....Quote-able QUILPS.....

In the opinion of Rep Walter Rogers (D-Tex) Republicans were over-enthusiastic with their applause when Pres Eisenhower delivered his *State of the Union* message to a joint session of Congress.

"I was reminded," said Rogers, "of the time in Amarillo when Wendell Willkie, campaigning for president, faced a huge crowd at Elwood Park. A large, red-faced fellow was sitting on the edge of his chair when Willkie got up to speak. Willkie said, 'Ladies and gentleman,' and paused momentarily. Whereupon the red-faced fellow leaped to his feet, hurled his hat in the air, and with a resounding whoop bellowed: 'He's a talkin' right down my alley!' — QUOTE Washington Bureau. d

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Restaurateur Henry Costello broke his dog of the habit of hanging around the table when his wife served dinner.

He gave the pooch a taste of it. —E E KENYON, *American Wkly.* e

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A Baptist minister went into his local hardware store and asked to see some fishing tackle. He was really interested in weights. The proprietor knew him well and said, "Those weights are too heavy for fishing around here. We don't have any streams that swift."

"I'm really not buying them for fishing," he repl'd. "I want to put them around the bottom of my baptismal robe, to keep it down while I'm immersing someone." — *New Christian Advocate.* f

Discussion is the better part of valor.—FRANKLIN P JONES.

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These days, instead of golden hair turning to silver, silver hair turns to gold.—VESTA M KELLY.

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Before marriage, a girl embraces a man; after marriage, she puts the squeeze on him.—CY N PEACE.

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Today's kids know the value of a dollar—that's why they always ask for more.—IVERN BOYETT.

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Most of us give advice so freely you'd think it was subject to a withholding tax.—HAL CHADWICK.

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Many women are kept busy letting their hair down while the hair-dresser is putting it up.—LESTER D KLIMEK.

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You run into a lot of women drivers on the highways these days —if you don't keep well over to the right.—D O FLYNN.

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The greatest danger from radio-activity is that you're apt to get a quiz program when you tune out a soap opera.—HAROLD COFFIN.

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It's fine for parents to bring up children, if they only wouldn't bring them up in conversation.—JACK HERBERT.

Quote

Horse to Horse talk: "I don't seem to remember your mane, but your pace is familiar."—*Illustrated Wkly of India, Bombay.* g

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Richard Armour



Weight On My Mind

A weight expert says that it is because of the consumers' own ignorance that they don't get all they pay for. Some don't even know how many ounces are in a pound.—News item.

At butcher shops and fruit stands,
Wherever there are scales,
When figures whirl so fast they blur
My stock of knowledge fails.

How long's a rod? A fathom?
How many quarts per peck?
I'm back in school and feel a fool,
Goosepimples on my neck.

I never could distinguish
A short ton from a long one.
Although I fibbed or peeked or
cribbed,
My answer was the wrong one.

So come, you wily merchants,
And rob me of my treasures.
Here is a dunce who never once
Caught onto weights and mea-
sures.

And as you call twelve ounces
A pound, I say but this:
It's not for me but you, I see,
That ignorance is bliss.

Quote

The plane had just come to a halt and the passengers were gratefully stretching after the long trip, when the hostess suddenly saw the little old man in Seat 17 reaching up for his coat, his trousers in a heap around his ankles.

"Good grief," she cried, grabbing a blanket to hide him, "I said unfasten your *safety belt*!"—E E KENYON, *American Wkly.* h

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A distinguished American author had no desire to become a citizen of the Soviet, but he did want the experience of living in Moscow for a spell. Somewhat to his surprise he wangled a visa for himself and family and set forth. At the border control, however, customs officials eyed his van-load of supplies with open suspicion, and after searching everything very carefully, made him remove the label from every box and can he was bringing with him.

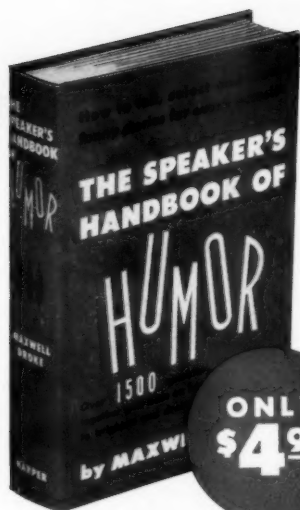
That may explain a certain difficulty his Ukrainian cook experienced with the canned goods one evening during her 1st wk on the job. Warned not to bother the master with questions, she figured things out for herself—and proudly served for dessert at dinner 2 cans of tennis balls, smothered in sour cream!—BENNETT CERF, *This Wk.* 1

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A man took his Great Dane to a vet. "Doctor," he said, "you've got to do something. My dog does nothing but chase sports cars."

"Well, that's only natural," repl'd the vet. "Most dogs chase cars."

"Yes," the man agreed. "But mine catches them and buries them in the back yard." — *Future, U S Junior Chamber of Commerce.* j



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" " LILIANE MONTEVECCHI, former ballerina, Ballet de Paris, currently making a motion picture in Hollywood: "American men are afraid of love. . . yet they worship the female figure. They need alcohol to break down their inhibitions. This is too bad, because then a girl doesn't know whether it is the boy or the bottle talking." 2-Q-t

SECOND CLASS MATTER



Edited by Alice Jacobs



We are all informed, via the murmuring of innumerable politicians, that we must sacrifice in '58. So we patriotically present a list of things that could be readily sacrificed in the struggle for men's minds. (And thanks to Geo Grim, of the *Minneapolis Tribune*, for some invaluable suggestions.)

Mink-trimmed cothespins — also musical clothespins. . . Musical cufflinks; we'd include all such items as musical teapots, musical rocking chairs, musical bedroom slippers, and musical toothbrush holders—and so help us, you can buy every one of 'em! . . . Hot water

bottles that are really scale-model replicas of Jayne Mansfield (this is a struggle for men's *minds*, remember?) . . . Gold-plated golf tees . . . The mermaid key chain: her tail is jointed in sections, and wiggles like a fighting trout. Just the thing for keys to the house, the car and other unpaid-for items. Sounds a bit Freudian, some way, to us. . . The backwards clock, with numbers and hands subtracting hrs instead of adding them. There are enough people around now who don't know what time it is.

That should do for a start. We can't give up *everything* at once.

